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Dear Sir/Madam:

Response and Amendment

This response is in reply to the office action mailed on December 27, 2007.

The amendments of claims 1, 3 and 13, including the incorporation of the formulae in claims 1 and 13, address the Examiner's objections concerning the indefiniteness of claims 1-15. In addition, other amendments to claim 13 and the cancellation of claim 14 address the Examiner's objections concerning the improper dependency of claim 14 to claim 13.

Claim Objections – 37 CFR 1.75(c)

The Examiner objects to claim 14 as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of claim 13.

The objected claim has been canceled and claim 13 was amended.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC §112

The Examiner rejects claims 1-15 as being indefinite.

The Examiner requests, that we amend the claims to include structures of formulae (I), (II) and (III), to define more precisely the structures to which the term "end group" refers and to clarify the term "organic compounds" in claim 3.

Amendments of claims 1 and 3 solve the indefiniteness problem of claims 1-15.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC §102